

Regional Service Council Minutes Region #14

Meeting Date: 2/21/06

Meeting Location: Bartholomew Co DCS Conference Room

Council Members Present: Heather Mollo, Mark Loyd, Dennis Carmichael, Helen Jackson, LaDonna Simpson, Ruth Alewine, Jack Tandy, Michael Williams, Mary Medler, Alfredo Salazar, Cindy Doyle-Winslow

Council Members Absent: None

Others In Attendance: David P. Meadows, Cummins BHS; Scott Wingo, Shelby County DCS; Jessica Laymon, Preventative Aftercare; Susie Ross, Preventative Aftercare; Scott Stewart, George Jr. Republic; Rob Gaskill, Youth Hope, Inc./Homebuilders; Kelly Bauermeister, Quinco; Gayle Green, Johnson County DCS; Tina McCormack, Fountain Consulting, Inc.; and Carl Sheib, ACT Services/Children's Bureau.

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order at: 8:40 AM

- 1. **Minimum Proposal Score and Regional Services Council Protocol Discussion:** Regional Manager Ruth Alewine presented the request of the regional directors and supervisors to only fund proposals which scored 70 or higher. Motion was made by Heather Mollo and seconded by Jack Tandy to approve the request. Motion carried. Ruth also reviewed the "working draft" of the Regional Services Council Protocol. A copy of this document was provided to each RSC member.
- 2. **Bartholomew County Selections:** Helen Jackson from Bartholomew County reported their provider selections which included the region-wide decisions for Adoption (White's), Community Partners for Child Safety (Children's Bureau), Intensive Family Preservation/Reunification Services (Lifeline and/or Bethany Christian Services) and Foster Parent Training (Foster Parent Services, Inc). Motion was made by Dennis Carmichael to

- approve the selected providers contingent upon negotiations and seconded by Heather Mollow. Motion carried. A discussion followed where it was mentioned that in 2007, the Child Welfare Services allocations may be pooled together regionally as opposed to each county having a specific annual allocation. This money is typically used for prevention efforts within the counties. It was also mentioned that there were not many proposals received for Diagnostic and Substance Abuse Services. The RSC may need to explore additional regional contracts for these services in the future.
- 3. **Jackson County Selections:** Dennis Carmichael from Jackson County reported their provider selections. Motion was made by Jack Tandy to approve the selected providers contingent upon negotiations and was seconded by Cindy Doyle-Winslow. Motion carried.
- 4. **Jennings County Selections:** Mike Williams from Jennings County reported their provider selections. He indicated an addition to his previously-reported list. He would like to add Quinco for Diagnostic/Evaluation. A question was raised regarding Protect Our Children and whether or not Paralegal On Call (previous name) had been utilized by Jennings County in the past. Mike Williams stated that Jennings County had previously utilized the services of Paralegal On Call for home studies. Motion was made by Cindy Doyle-Winslow to approve the selected providers contingent upon negotiations and was seconded by Heather Mollo. Motion carried.
- 5. **Johnson County Selections:** Gayle Green, Johnson County FCM Supervisor, received a call and had to leave the meeting prior to reporting her provider selections. Ruth Alewine reported Johnson County's provider selections. Motion was made by Mike Williams to approve the selected providers contingent upon negotiations and was seconded by Jack Tandy. Motion carried.
- 6. **Shelby County Selections:** Shelby County reported their provider selections. Jack Tandy asked Director Mary Medler if Family Services and Prevention programs had submitted proposals and if they received scores above the minimum of 70. Director Medler indicated that Family Services and Prevention Programs had submitted several proposals but that none of them scored above 70 points. Motion was made by Heather Mollo to approve the selected providers contingent upon negotiations and was seconded by Dennis Carmichael. Motion carried.
- 7. **Public Comment:** None given.

Attachment: Please see attached document representing each county's selected services/providers.

Next Meeting Date, Location and Time: 3/21/06 @ Bartholomew Co DCS (8:30

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Meeting Adjourned at: 9:15 AM